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### DETAILED ACTION

The reply filed on March 29, 2004 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The formal drawings filed on March 29, 2004 include changes relative to the originally filed drawings, including the shape, location and orientation of the loop 36 and the breach 38. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.121, any drawing changes must be submitted as a "Replacement Sheet" and identified as such in the top margin. Any changes must also be explained in the remarks, or preferably in the drawing amendments section. Applicant should also consider whether the drawing changes are new matter, and avoid the introduction of any new matter. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

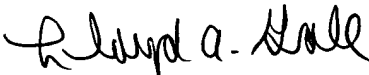
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Lloyd A. Gall whose telephone number is 703-308-0828. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 8:30-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David Bagnell can be reached on 703-308-2151. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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